

Serving today Sunday, December 16

**Acolytes:**

Charles Hruda, **Crucifer**  
Quinton Laurie, **Torch Bearer**  
Collin Laurie, **Torch Bearer**  
Omar Mongerie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

**Chalice Bearers:** James Fort, John Grayson

**Lectors:** Kathleen Rodgers, Maya King  
Dourest Robinson, Renee Frazier,  
Winston Bogan, Alexis McMillan

**Greeters:** Sharal Jugger, Elizabeth Humes

**Ushers:** Sharal Jugger, Elizabeth Humes

**Vestry:** Alexis McMillan

**Organist:** Monique Alleyne

Serving Sunday December 23 at 10:00 am

**Acolytes:**

Daniel Erefah, **Crucifer**  
Abigail Erefah, **Torch Bearer**  
Colton Wasson, **Torch Bearer**  
Claire Wasson, **Gospel Book Bearer**

**Chalice Bearers:** Laureatte Scott, Alexis McMillan

**Greeters:** Cassandra Grayson, Edith Onyeozili

**Ushers:** Dawn Freeman, Ebenezer Erefah

**Vestry:** Edith Onyeozili

**Organist:** Monique Alleyne

Serving Monday, December 24 at 10:00 pm

**Acolytes:**

Tyler Sams, **Crucifer**,  
Nicolette Nottage, **Torch Bearer**  
Hollis Sams, **Torch Bearer**  
Omar Mongerie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

**Chalice Bearer:** Laureatte Scott, Alexis McMillan,

**Greeters:** Tresia Mongerie, Lenin Mongerie

**Ushers:** Joseph Sams, Nadira Sams

**Vestry:** Edith Onyeozili

**Organist:** Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

**NOTE: If you are unable to serve on the Sundays assigned, please ask someone else to serve in your place.**

**December Altar Guild:**

Dawn Freeman	Tangy Williams	Melanie Martin	Natalie Payne
Karen Goodlett	Pamela Greene	JoAnne Robinson	Delores Lawson
Kate Wasson	Lauren Sapp	Cassandra Grayson	Delois Brown
Shonna Laurie	Delores Grayson	Anna White	

# ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH



### Ministers of the Church

*The People of St. Michael*

### Our Vestry & Staff

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Sharal Jugger

Alexis Roberts McMillan

Sam Oliver

Edith Onyeozili

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Kathleen Rodgers, **Financial Secretary**

Monique Alleyne and Ivana Kenny Carmola

**Organists**

Chris White, **Drummer/Choral Director**

Sam Oliver, **Verger**

Elizabeth Humes, **Admin. Assistant**

James Crowell, **Sexton Emeritus**

### Our Clergy

The Right Reverend John Howard  
**Bishop – Diocese of Florida**

The Reverend Hugh Chapman, **Rector**  
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**Sunday, December 16, 2018**

**10:00 am**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

**Advent Lessons and Music**



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## From the Rector's Desk

### Celebration Sunday

Today is a special day in the life of our parish family, as we present before the Lord, the pledges we have received in response to our Capital Campaign Appeal. You would remember that this campaign was launched on September 30, 2018 in concert with the celebration we had for the 136<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our church's founding. The target we set ourselves that day, was audacious, ambitious but absolutely achievable – for indeed, with our God, all things are possible. Unsurprisingly, we are well on the way to the half way mark (\$250,000) and so to God be the Glory. On behalf of our Capital Campaign Committee, let me thank all who responded so magnanimously, obviously spurred on by the words of St. Paul the Apostle, who reminded us how much the Lord loves a cheerful giver.

Do join us in the Fellowship Hall after the celebration of the Eucharist, for a sumptuous meal compliments of our Vestry and the Capital Campaign Committee.

### Presiding Bishop's visit to the Apalachee Region

On Tuesday last, I did participate in tele-conference hosted by Bishop Samuel Johnson Howard, that confirmed details for this historic visit to our Diocese. Archbishop Michael Bruce Curry will spend two days in our Diocese (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019). He will gather with the clergy and their families and fellow Episcopalians at St. John's Cathedral in Jacksonville on Monday of that week, before journeying to Tallahassee for an evening service at St. John's Episcopal Church. The next day he will be the celebrant and preacher at Holy Comforter Church School before joining us here at St. Michael's for a special luncheon. I have invited Byron Greene and Alexis McMillan to co-chair the committee planning for that event. Needless to say, we want every member of SMAA to be on board for this event. Archbishop Michael is the first African American to lead the Episcopal Church and actually this is his first visit to the Diocese of Florida as primate. Byron and Alexis will keep you informed as plans are developed.

### Stewardship Program

Our Finance Committee led by John Grayson will soon be sitting down to design our budget for 2019. To assist them with that exercise, we will have to have ready signed pledges – our commitment to God for the work of his church especially here at SMAA. We have reconstituted the Stewardship Committee for this cycle. Our new team is Dr. Edith Onyeozili, Zollie White II, Dr. Delores Lawson, Henry Okafor and Dawn Freeman. The Stewardship Committee will soon be talking with you.

Fr. Hugh+

## Suggested daily Readings for the week of the Third Sunday of Advent Dec 17 – Dec.21

Mon.	Numbers 24:2-7,15-17a	Psalm 25:3-8	Matthew 21:23-27
Tue.	Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13	Psalm 34:1-8	Matthew 21:28-32
Wed.	Isaiah 45:5-8(9-17)18-25	Psalm 85:8-13	Luke 7:19-23
Thurs.	Isaiah 54:1-10	Psalm 30	Luke 7:24-30
Fri.	Isaiah 56:1-8	Psalm 67	John 5:33-36

Please note that every third Sunday the open collection will go towards the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

Grace Mission is asking for donation for those in need of warm coats (men and women sizes large and up), blankets, sweatshirts, sweaters, men's jeans all sizes, and women's underwear (size 6-10).

### Summer Camp 2019 Dates and Fees

Session	Ages	Dates	Cost
Mini Camp: Disney	6-10	June 13-16	\$315
Senior Session: Color Wars	15-18	June 16-22	\$560
Session 1: Superheroes	7-14	June 23-29	\$560
Session 2: Outer Space	7-14	July 7-13	\$560
Session 3: Harry Potter	7-14	July 14-20	\$560
Session 4: Around the World	7-14	July 21-27	\$560
Stayover 1	7-14	July 13-14	\$75
Stayover 2	7-14	July 20-21	\$75

Register by January 1<sup>st</sup> to get Early Bird pricing! Senior Session and Sessions 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be \$540 before January 1. Mini Camp will be \$300 before this deadline.

Scholarship applications are due April 15. Please contact Allison Vining at [allison@campweed.org](mailto:allison@campweed.org) (386-364-5250).

***For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Celo Rease, grandmother of Otis and Nicole Rease (grandchildren of Stacy Tinner), who passed on December 7, 2018 in Baltimore, Maryland. Funeral service was held on December 14.***

***Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace***

**CHOIR NEWS** – There will be rehearsal every Sunday morning at 9:15 am. until further notice.

**The Episcopal Church Women Nominating Committee** announces the following persons who were invited to serve as the new officers for 2019: President—Pamela Greene, Vice President –Herma Watson-Taylor, Financial Secretary—Delois Brown, and Secretary (Recording)—Nicolette Nottage. These officers will assume office effective January 1, 2019 for a term of one year. **All women of St. Michael’s are also encouraged to become active in the ECW’s three committees: In-Reach, Out-Reach and Fund Raising.**

**ECW:** Mark your calendars! The Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of Florida invite you to attend the ECW Winter Meeting, which will be on February 16, 2019 at Camp Weed. The guest speaker is The Rev. Canon Dr. Allison DeFoor, Canon to the Ordinary. Check-in starts at 9:00 am and the meeting at 10:00 am. We will conclude with lunch in the Varn Dining Hall at noon.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**December 28** – Feast of Holy Innocents at 10:00 am.

**December 29** – Breakfast Service at Grace Mission. It is St. Michael’s turn to serve. We need to be there by 8:30 a.m. Please let Dawn Freeman know by responding to [ddfreesman@hotmail.com](mailto:ddfreesman@hotmail.com). Thanks!

**December 31** – New Year’s Eve Service at 10:00 pm. **There will be no service on New Year’s Day**

**January 2** – First Wednesday Supper at the Kearney Center at 6:30 pm. Please wear closed toe shoes and a hat or cap.

**January 3** – Said Mass at 12:15 p.m.

**January 6** – Discipleship Group Meeting at 4:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

**January 8 & 10** – Said Mass at 12:15 pm.

**January 12** – Remembrance Project Assembly.

**January 14** – Vestry Meeting from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the Brooks Room.

**January 15** – Said Mass at 12:15 pm.

**January 17** – Said Mass at 12:15 pm.

#### **LITURGY OF ADVENT LESSONS AND MUSIC**

Instrumental Prelude Monique Alleyne, organist  
Choral Prelude O Come O Come Emmanuel *Candles and Carols*  
O come, O come, Emmanuel, Come to our hearts and in our presence dwell  
We wait in hope for peace once again  
Return to us the joy of Bethlehem  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come in love, our darkness to dispel

#### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common like, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lighting of the Candle on the Advent Wreath

Readers: Charles Hruda, Quinton Laurie, Collin Laurie

#### **A Bidding Prayer**

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem where we behold the Son of God lying in a manger.

Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God’s loving purpose from the time of our turning away from him until the time of our redemption in the coming of the Messiah, the Christ, born a child, living among us, and dying to set us free. Let us give thanks for the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise.

But first, we pray for the needs of all people, for peace and justice on earth, for the unity and mission of the Church for which he gives his life, even now here in this country, in this city, and in this congregation.

And because he loves us so much, let us remember in his name the poor, the helpless, those this day who are cold and hungry, the oppressed, the sick, those who mourn, those who are alone, the aged, little children, and all people who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, let us remember before God his mother, Mary, and Joseph journeying on the road to Bethlehem, persons chosen to bear the life of Christ into the world, to raise him up in the ways of goodness and right, and the whole multitude of persons which no one can number, whose hope remains in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore.

And now, summing up these petitions, let us pray in the words which our Lord Christ himself has taught us, saying:

*Our Father....*

May God the Father bless us with his grace, find us receptive to goodness and mercy in his Son our Lord, and bring us all in the power of his Holy Spirit to the joy of his everlasting Kingdom. *Amen*

### THE WORD OF GOD

**FIRST LESSON** Genesis 2:4b-9 and 15-25 Kathleen Rodgers  
God creates man and woman to live in obedience to him in the Garden of Eden.

Silence to be observed  
**H59**, Hark! A thrilling voice *Merton*

**SECOND LESSON** Isaiah 40:1-11 Maya King  
God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption.

Silence to be observed  
**H66**, Come thou long expected Jesus *Stuttgart*

**THIRD LESSON** Jeremiah 31:31-34 Dourest Robinson  
God promises a new covenant which will be written upon the hearts of the people

Silence to be observed  
**H653**, Dear Lord and Father of Mankind *Repton Parry*

**FOURTH LESSON** Micah 5:2-4 Renee Frazier  
The one who is to rule Israel will be born in Bethlehem

Silence to be observed  
Mary's Boy Child (Choir) *Traditional*

**THANK YOU** –Fellowship hour is hosted by the Vestry and the Capital Campaign Committee

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Consecration of Capital Campaign Pledge Cards today.**

**African-American Genealogy Meeting from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm today in the Parish Hall.**

**December 18** – Said Mass at 12:15 pm. (Contemplative Eucharist).

**December 20** – Said Mass at 12:15 pm.

**December 21** – Rector's 40th Anniversary of his diaconate at 6:30 pm.

**December 23** – Holy Eucharist/Children Program at 10:00 am.

**December 24** – Christmas Eve Service at 10:00 pm. **There will be no service on Christmas Day.**

**December 27** – Feast of St. John, Apostle, Holy Eucharist – 12:15 pm.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Please join us in the Parish Hall where breakfast will be served at the conclusion of the class by The Men of the Church.**

**Christmas gifts will be presented to the Sunday School children on December 23 after the Children's Christmas Program.**

**Potted poinsettias** are being requested to adorn the altar and church for the 10 p.m. Christmas Eve Service. Plants should be placed on the Parish Hall breezeway on Sunday 12/23/18 no later than 12 noon. Thanks, Altar Guild.

**SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT** – Bible Study Group will be in recess for the remainder of the year.

**GOOD NEWS OUTREACH MINISTRY** – The Area Agency on Aging is asking for donations to help seniors affected by Hurricane Michael. They are in need of adult incontinent supplies - disposable pads, baby wipes, rash guard cream/ointment, nutrition drinks such as Boost and Ensure, flashlights/batteries, water, hygiene products, towels, etc. Many communities may not have power for many weeks or longer so non-perishables of any sort are welcome. Good News Outreach will be collecting items at the administrative office 347 Office Plaza Drive for Area Agency on Aging. Thank you in advance for any assistance.

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING:**



*Jean Hyche-Jackson, Jo Ann Robinson, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Eugene Wesley, Rosalyn Greene, Rose Douglas, Jewell Robinson, Williamae Jackson, Geraldine Roberts, Joseph Wiley, Carl Murray, Rudolph Hinds, Cynthia Hinds, Alexes Parker, Robert Roulac, Karen Hardy Clark, Ella Woodbury, Charles Daniels, Joseph Gentle, Brandi Leland, Kenrick Baynes, Jessie Laurel, Hattie Olivia Scott, Rev. Canon Dr. David J. Weidner, Ella Brown Albright, Catherine Rand, Richard Corpening, Clifford Willabus, Mecie White, Barbara Lee, Sharon Carr, Sam Oliver Sr., Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Dr. Derek Spencer, Ariel Boyd, Lora Rose Hunter-Dargan, Thelma Hilliard, John McClees, Jonecia Brown, Louis Chapman, Toni Jarmon, Kaleb Way, Karen Padmore, Charles Bennett, Randolph Frazier Jr., Nohemy Reid, Kanasha Cole, Sharon Thomas, Evelyn McKetty and Maryann Nottage.*

**SPECIAL PRAYERS**

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe that we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Capital Campaign Prayer**

**Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

*During the season of Advent, we shall omit from our services the Glorias and Alleluias*

**FIFTH LESSON**

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Winston Bogan

The Lord will be among us, we are summoned to rejoice and sing.

Silence to be observed

Rejoice, Greatly O Daughter of Zion

Handel

*Dr. Alethea Kilgore*

**SIXTH LESSON**

Luke 1:5-25

Alexis McMillan

An Angel tells Zechariah that his wife, Elizabeth, will bear a son.

Silence to be observed

Canticle of Mary Ames(Choir feat. Shawna Trainor, oboe)

**HOLY GOSPEL**

John 1:6-8 and 19-28

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

Special Address

Byron Greene

The Nicene Creed

**326**

Confession of Sin and Absolution

**330-332**

The Peace

May the Peace of the Lord

Nolan

*May the peace of the Lord bring: Joy, Love, Comfort, Hope, Rest, Life*

*May the peace of the Lord surround you. May the peace of the Lord go with you.*

Offertory Selection

O Holy Night

*Traditional*

Doxology & Procession

**L56**, Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow

Hatton

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

*Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen*

Consecration/Blessing of Capital Campaign Pledges

Presentation Hymn

**L65**, Bless the Lord

Crouch

The Great Thanksgiving

**333-336**

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer

**L264**, The Lord's Prayer

Malotte

The Breaking of the Bread

**337**

Prayer of Humble Access

**337**

## HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 1	<b>H71</b> , Hark! The glad sounds!	<i>Bristol</i>
Communion Hymn 2	<b>L7</b> , I want to be ready	<i>Traditional</i>
Post Communion Prayer		<b>339</b>
Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers		
Announcements		
Address by Mrs. Tresia Mongerie		
Benediction		
Recessional Hymn	<b>L14</b> , Soon And Very Soon	Crouch
Dismissal		

**H=1982 Hymnal (blue)**

**L=Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal (black, green & red)**

### Pray for Bishop John

Our Father in God, the Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard is scheduled to undergo surgery on Wednesday December 19, 2018 in Jacksonville. The Bishop has called for prayers as he prepares for this procedure. Do remember his wife Marie who will have the full care of him as he recovers afterwards. This recovery is expected to last for a month or so.

### Rector to Celebrate

The Rector will celebrate his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the diaconate on Friday December 21, 2018 with a mass of Thanksgiving to be followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall. Service time is 6:30 pm.

**The Kearney Center** is asking for kind donations of Coffee, Coffee Creamer, Sugar, Grits, Oatmeal, and Seasonings, Salt and Pepper. These items are always needed.

## WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

**OUR VISION** is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

**OUR MISSION** is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!**



Joseph Sams (12/18), Prokop Hruda (12/21), Pennela Chapman (12/23), David & Anne Powell (12/22), James & Pamela Fort (12/23).

### Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### Anniversary Prayer

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that husbands and wives may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding, in courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen*